



Indigenizing Education & Publishing Strategies for Educators

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Indigenizing Education

- Epistemology – Worldviews: yours and Indigenous people
- Diversity: geographic, intertribal, intratribal, social, age, economic, gender
- Philosophy – How you approach your work
- Research – Finding resources from diverse places
- Development – Member checking and co-construction
- Evaluation – Is this really authentic or appropriate?
- Curriculum – Who's knowledge counts?
- Pedagogy – delivery of curriculum and assessment formats for valuing knowledge, skills and abilities
- Timing – once a year or all year?

Individual Activity

- Describe an Indigenous lesson plan you've created or been a part of as a professional or student in your lifetime
- How are Indians incorporated in the school day or school year? List specific lessons, activities, or special events.
- From your educational, social, and/or curriculum experience (K-12 or post-secondary)
 - Name an Indigenous leader
 - Name an Indigenous teacher
 - Name an Indigenous scientist or mathematician
 - Name an Indigenous author/writer

How Colonized Is Your Mind?

- Discussion on previous slide's generated information from class
- Discussion on how slide 1 is or is not represented in class participant's answers
- View Charlie Hill's "On and Off the Rez" video
- Post video discussion on perspectives, construction of Indian identities, and perpetuation of stereotypes

Decolonization Plans for Action

- Small Group Work
 - Examples of Indigenous Colonialism on right side and decolonization strategy on left side (small group work)
 - Indigenizing a lesson plan (use resource books)
- Individual Work: Decolonizing education for Indians – Your personal plan for action

Publishing Strategies

- What type of writing?
 - Lesson Plans
 - Educational Articles
 - Academic Articles
 - Commentary or Op Eds
 - Book or Other Review
 - Community Viewpoint Article

Format and Places to Publish

- What format for publishing?
 - Electronic: email, website, Listserves, e-newsletter, e-journal, blog, chat room, other
 - Paper: Newsletter, newspaper, academic journal, trade publication, magazine, other
- Share handouts for paper and electronic places to publish
- Questions, Answers, and Discussion
- Adjourn